# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS MARSHALL DIVISION

CENTOCOR, INC. and NEW YORK UNIVERSITY,	) ) )
Plaintiffs,	) CIVIL ACTION NO. 2:07CV139
v.  ABBOTT LABORATORIES, ABBOTT BIORESEARCH CENTER, INC., and ABBOTT BIOTECHNOLOGY, LTD.	) JURY TRIAL DEMANDED ) ) )
Defendants.	

## JOINT CLAIM CONSTRUCTION AND PREHEARING STATEMENT

The parties submit this Joint Claim Construction and Prehearing Statement pursuant to Local Patent Rule ("P.R.") 4-3.

### I. Construction of Claim Terms, Phrases, or Clauses on Which the Parties Agree

In the attached Plaintiffs' Exhibit A and Defendants' Exhibit B, the parties have identified the construction of the terms, phrases, and clauses in the asserted claims of U.S. Patents 7,070,775 (the "'775 patent") and 7,276,239 (the "'239 patent") on which they agree, pursuant to P.R. 4-3(a).

The claim constructions proposed and/or agreed upon by Defendants in Exhibit B are offered without prejudice to Defendants' arguments relating to indefiniteness as set forth in their disclosures under P.R. 3-3 and 3-4.

# II. Proposed Claim Constructions for Disputed Claim Terms, Phrases, or Clauses

Pursuant to P.R. 4-3(b), the parties have identified, in the attached Plaintiffs' Exhibit A and Defendants' Exhibit B, their proposed constructions for disputed claim terms, phrases, and clauses for the '775 and '239 patents, as well as the citations to the patent specifications, prosecution histories, and references incorporated by reference by the patents (intrinsic evidence) that the parties intend to rely on to support or oppose the proposed constructions. The parties also identify in Exhibits A and B the extrinsic evidence that the parties intend to rely on to support or oppose the proposed constructions.

The claim constructions proposed and/or agreed upon by Defendants in Exhibit B are offered without prejudice to Defendants' arguments relating to indefiniteness as set forth in their disclosures under P.R. 3-3 and 3-4.

# III. Anticipated Length of Time Necessary for the Claim Construction Hearing

The parties anticipate that three hours will be necessary for the claim construction hearing.

#### **IV.** Identification of Witnesses

The parties do not intend to call live witnesses at the Claim Construction Hearing. Plaintiffs intend to submit a declaration by Dr. Gregory Adams, and a summary of Dr. Adams's proposed testimony is attached as Plaintiffs' Exhibit C, pursuant to P.R. 4-3(d). Defendants intend to submit a declaration by Dr. James Marks, and a summary of Dr. Marks's proposed testimony is attached as Defendant's Exhibit D, pursuant to P.R. 4-3(d).

The parties have agreed to meet and confer promptly after submission of this filing to discuss whether expert depositions concerning claim construction will be necessary.

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V. **Other Issues** 

> Plaintiffs intend to submit a technology tutorial in the form of a DVD prior to the (A)

February 26, 2009 Claim Construction Hearing. Defendants may include technology tutorials

and/or demonstrative exhibits relating thereto in their respective claim construction briefs.

Defendants may also submit demonstrative exhibits relating to a technology tutorial before the

claim construction hearing. Each party reserves the right to lodge appropriate objections to the

other party's tutorial and related demonstrative exhibits. The parties are unaware of any other

issues that should be discussed at a prehearing conference before the Claim Construction

Hearing.

(B) The parties have not agreed to jointly approach the Court to request an

enlargement of the page limits for the Claim Construction Briefs required by P.R. 4-5.

Defendants, however, reserve the right to do so if it deems necessary.

Dated: September 26, 2008

Respectfully submitted,

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